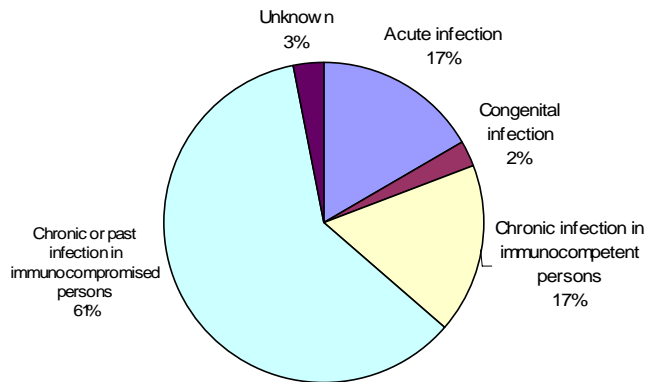


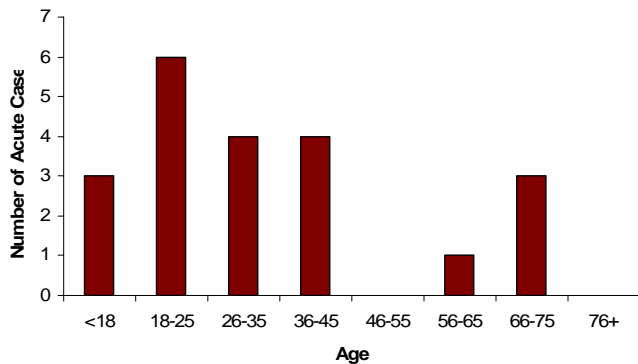
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Toxoplasmosis by Case Status in Georgia, 2008



Acute Toxoplasmosis by Age Category Georgia, 2008

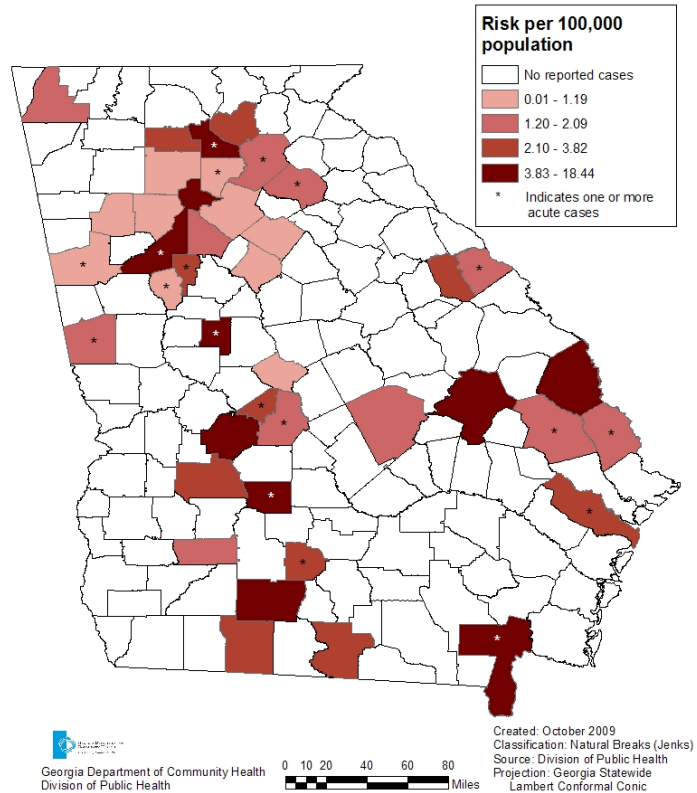


Possible Transmission Mechanisms among Acute Toxoplasmosis Cases in Georgia, 2008

Potentially Contaminated Source	N*	%
Animal contact	8	38%
Animal product	1	5%
Organ/blood product	1	5%
Soil	4	19%
Water	1	5%

*Exposure history was not collected for all cases. A single case

Incidence of Toxoplasmosis by County of Residence, 2008



Toxoplasmosis is a common infection worldwide and is spread from animals (primarily cats) to humans. Most cases do not have symptoms, although severe illness can occur among individuals who are immunocompromised.

In 2008, 126 confirmed cases of toxoplasmosis were reported in Georgia. Only 21 (17%) were acute infections. The majority of infections (n=76, 61%) were found to be chronic or past infections among immunocompromised persons.

Of the 21 acute infections:

- 13 cases (62%) were asymptomatic,
- 7 cases (38%) reported symptoms,
- 16 cases (76%) were female,
- 7 cases (24%) were male,
- 4 cases (19%) were hospitalized, and
- 1 case (5%) died.